United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Eugene District Office

Categorical Exclusion Documentation

Categorical Exclusion DOI-BLM-OR-E060-2011-0016 CX
Shotgun Park Recreation Site Well Drilling

A. Background

Location of Proposed Action: Shotgun Park Recreation Site, T15S R01W Sec. 30

<u>Description of Proposed Action</u>: Drill an approximate 225' deep, 8" diameter well to include mobilization of required equipment in particular a well drilling rig, drilling of well and disposal of waste material, abandonment of existing well, testing of water as required, installation of piping and electrical wiring to existing pump house system. The new well will be located within the Shotgun Recreation Site boundary, approximately 50'from the existing well. This area is used extensively for maintenance activities involving the potable water system. The anticipated timing of this activity is May, 2011 and lasting approximately 2 weeks.

B. Land Use Plan Conformance

This action is consistent with the "Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl" (April 1994), and the "Eugene District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan" (June 1995) as amended.

C. Compliance with NEPA

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance 516 DM2, Appendix 1, 1.7:

Routine and continuing government business, including such things as supervision, administration, operations, maintenance and replacement activities having limited context and intensity: e.g. limited size and magnitude or short-term effects.

This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The proposed action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 516 DM2 apply.

D. Categorical Exclusions Extraordinary Circumstances Documentation

THE PROPOSED CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION ACTION WILL:			NO
1.	Have significant impacts on public health or safety.		Х
	Rationale: All proposed activities follow established Occupational Safety and Health Administration rules concerning health and safety.		
2.	Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas.		x
	Rationale: All proposed activities are designed to minimize impacts.		
3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)].		Х

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IHE	PROPOSED CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION ACTION WILL: Rationale: There are no predicted environmental effects from the proposed action which are considered to be highly controversial nor are there unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses.	YES	NO
4.	Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.		х
	Rationale: There are no predicted effects from the proposed action that are highly uncertain, potentially significant, unique, or have unknown risks.		
5.	Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.		Х
	Rationale: This activity does not commit the BLM to pursuing further actions, and as such would not establish a precedent or decision for future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.		
6.	Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.		Х
	Rationale: This activity would have no direct relationship with other actions that would have a cumulatively significant effect.		
7.	Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by either the bureau or office.		Х
	Rationale: No known properties are listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places that would be affected by this activity.		
8.	Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, as an Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species.		х
	Rationale: The areas to be treated will have no significant impacts to species listed or proposed to be listed as an Endangered or Threatened Species, nor have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species.		
9.	Violate a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.		Х
	Rationale: The proposed action conforms to the direction given for the management of public lands in the Eugene district ROD/RMP.		
10.	Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 2898).		Х
	Rationale: The maintenance of roads and related assets would not affect low income or minority populations.		
11.	Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007).		х
	Rationale: No Indian sacred sites have been identified on the Eugene District.		
12.	Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112).		X
	Rationale: Road maintenance equipment is cleaned using a pressure washer prior to leaving designated areas to prevent the spread of noxious weeds and root disease.		

E. Signature

Prepared By:	Date:			
District Facilities Operations Specialist				
Reviewed By:	Date:			
Environmental Coordinator				
Approved By:	Date:			
Field Manager, Upper Willamette Resource Area				

Contact Person and Reviewers

For additional information concerning this Categorical Exclusion review, contact Jeanne Remiro 541-683-6229

Reviewer	Specialty	Initials	Date

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT EUGENE DISTRICT OFFICE

DECISION RECORD

Decision:

It is my decision to implement this action on BLM lands as described in the categorical exclusion documentation DOI-BLM-OR-002011-0030-CX

Decision Rationale:

I have reviewed this Categorical Exclusion Documentation, including the plan conformance, NEPA compliance review, and extraordinary circumstances review, and have determined that the action involves no significant impact to the human environment and that no further analysis is required.

Administrative Remedies

Notice of the decision to be made on the action described in this categorical exclusion will be posted on the District internet website. The action is subject to appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals under 43 CFR Part 4.

Authorizing Official:

 Date	